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Re the Application of:

WEEKS et al.

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For: "METHODS AND MATERIALS  
FOR MAKING AND USING  
TRANSGENIC DICAMBA-  
DEGRADING ORGANISMS"

) Group Art Unit: 1638

) Examiner: Kruse, D.

) REQUEST FOR EXTENSION  
) OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of two (2) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on September 18, 2000, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from October 18, 2000, to December 18, 2000.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$195 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

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